DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2020-SCC-0101]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights Program Assurances

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT THE 30TH DAY AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection request by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Samuel Pierre, 202-245-6488.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department’s information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this
collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights Program Assurances

*OMB Control Number:* 1820-0625

*Type of Review:* An extension of an existing information collection

*Respondents / Affected Public:* State, Local and Tribal Governments

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 57

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 9

*Abstract:* Section 509 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act), as amended by the Title IV of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and its implementing Federal Regulations at 34 CFR Part 381, require the PAIR grantees to submit an application to the RSA Commissioner in order to receive assistance under Section 509 of the Rehabilitation Act. The Rehabilitation Act requires that the application contain Assurances to which the grantees must comply. Section 509(f) of the Rehabilitation Act specifies the Assurances. All 57 PAIR grantees are required to be part of the protection and advocacy system in each State established under the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 USC 6041 et seq.).


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